

REMARKS

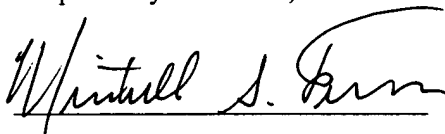
The application has been amended to specify that priority has been claimed from a provisional application. Although this preliminary amendment is being filed 16 months from the priority date and 4 months from the application filing date, the priority claim was specified in the Declaration and the Application Transmittal and was acknowledged by the Patent Office in the filing receipt (a copy of which is attached hereto). Therefore, as provided by 37 CFR 1.55, applicant has complied with the requirements for claiming priority and no petition or fee is required.

Entry of the above amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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